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Fort Saint George, Revenue Consultation of 1st September 1857.

No. 10. Read the following Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue ; dated 15th August 1857, No. 2715.

Read Petition No. 2801 of 1857 from Ameer Dowlah Bahadur and Nazeem Jung Bahadur, applying for a grant of waste lands on certain terms specified.

(Here enter No. .)

The Petitioners point out the distressed condition of the poorer classes of Mahommedans and observe that agricultural pursuits alone will supply them with the necessary means of subsistence. With this view the Petitioners propose to take up land themselves and to engage labores of the Mahommedan class to bring them under cultivation.

2. The Petitioners ask for 1000 cawnies of waste land fit for cultivation in the District of Chingleput, and in the event of this quantity of fit land not being procurable the deficiency to be made up with immemorial waste. The period of cowle is to run for 15 years, viz. 10 years free of assessment, and the assessment, which it is solicited may be moderate, is to be gradually made up during the remaining 5 years. An advance of Rupees 10,000 as Tuccavy is required for the purchase of stock, implements of husbandry and other incidental expenses during the first year till some return shall have been received, and works of irrigation are to be constructed and maintained at the public cost.

3. The Board attach much importance to the object in view, and are of opinion that the ordinary terms of cowle are insufficient for its accomplishment. Ten years of complete exemption from assessment, as proposed by the Petitioners, is on the other hand unnecessary. From 3 to 5 years, according to circumstances will probably be found sufficient, the assessment being made gradually payable during the next 5 years. For immemorial waste the terms will be more liberal. The Board are averse to a permanently reduced assessment, but it does not appear that the Petitioners apply for any thing more than a fair moderate tax on the land. The construction of works of irrigation, where such are required, would have to be considered in the Department of Public Works, and if irrigation is to be introduced, the irrigated rates of assessment will of course be imposed. Where applicants for land are persons with capital, advances of money in the form of Tuccavy are not required. Where it is otherwise these advances will be necessary but should be made under arrangements for their eventual repayment.

4. The present project if successful will furnish the means of subsistence to a considerable number of persons, but adverting to the great importance of finding occupation of the nature in question to as many of the class referred to as may be desirous of obtaining it, the Board would wish that the arrangement should be placed on such a basis as would secure under suitable rules the accomplishment of that object.

5. The Board resolve to submit the present application, together with copy of these Proceedings, for the consideration of Government, and should Government be pleased to concur in what they have suggested, they will communicate with the Collector of Chingleput as to the best mode of giving practical effect to those suggestions. They are of opinion that the arrangement, to be successful, must be systematic and its execution so far as regards putting applicants in possession of land, specially confided to an intelligent and trustworthy individual of the Collector's Establishment.

(A true Extract.)

(Signed) J. D. SIM, *Acting Secretary.*

No. 11. ORDER THEREON, No. 868 ; dated 26th August 1857.

In these Proceedings the Board mention only the names of the two parties applying for 1000 Cawnies of land and an advance of Rupees 10,000, and put the Government in possession of no information as to who the parties are.

2. The Government can give no orders on the application in its present form, and request that the Board will ascertain who the applicants are, what are their antecedents, whether men of capital, and position among the Mussulman population, and whether they have had any experience in agriculture. The Government also desire that the applicants may be called upon to

name those who are willing to accept land for cultivation, and to state what have hitherto been their occupations, and in what manner a due share in the advantages of the undertaking will be secured to each individual.

3. The Government are not unwilling to give assistance to any scheme which has bona fide in view the offer of employment to the many Mussulmans who are understood to want occupation, but they cannot consent to pay a large sum of money to those of whom they have no information, and which they have not only no guarantee will ever be repaid, but which also they are not assured may not be misapplied.

(Signed) H. FORBES,
Acting Secretary to Government.

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Revenue Department.

No. 2715

Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 15th August 1857. No 2715

Read Petition No. 2301 of 1857 from Ameer Dowlah Bahadur and Nazeem Jung Bahadur, applying for a grant of Waste Lands on certain terms specified.

(Here enter No.)

The Petitioners point out the distressed condition of the poorer classes of Mahommedans and observe that agricultural pursuits alone will supply them with the necessary means of subsistence. With this view the Petitioners propose to take up land themselves and to engage laborers of the Mahommedan class to bring them under cultivation.

2. The Petitioners ask for a concession of Waste land fit for cultivation in the District of Chingleput and in the event of there not being a sufficient quantity of fit land not being procurable the deficiency to be made up with immemorial Waste. The period of Lease

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(True Extract)

H. Lin

Sg Secretary.

To,

H. Forbes Esq=

Sg Secretary to Government

Revenue Department=

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Extract from the Proceedings
of the Board of Revenue

Dated 15th August 1857.
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No. 2715
Rec'd 28th Aug.
No. 868.

Submitting for the consideration of Government with the Board's Proceedings thereon, the Petition from Oliver Daniel Robertson praying for a grant of certain land in Chingleput.

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Revenue 1857 Sept 25th
No 3206 to Com. 1st Division

No 808

Extract Mins. of Cons.
Dated 26th August 57

Extract from the Mins. of Cons. Bd of Rev. dated 26th August 1857.

Ordered that no order be passed on the application from Ameer Dowlah Bahadur and Nazeem Jung Bahadur for a grant of waste land in Chingleput, and that the Board be requested to furnish information as to the parties applying, their antecedents, whether men of capital, and position among the Mussulman population, and whether they have had any experience in agriculture, and to state what have hitherto been their occupations, and in what manner a due share in the advantages of the undertaking will be secured to each individual.

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Revenue Department

No. 3206

Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue dated 25th September 1857.

Read the following—

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

No. 868.

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation under date the 26th August 1857.

Read the following Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue.

Submitting for the consideration of Government with the Board's remarks thereon, an application from Ameer Dowlah Bahadur and Nazeem Jung Bahadur for a grant of waste lands in Chingleput on certain terms specified. (Here enter 15th August 1857, No. 2715.)

In these Proceedings the Board mention only the names of the two parties applying for 1000 Cawnies of land and an advance of Rupees 10,000, and put the Government in possession of no information as to who the parties are.

2. The Government can give no orders on the application in its present form, and request that the Board will ascertain who the applicants are, what are their antecedents, whether men of capital, and position among the Mussulman population, and whether they have had any experience in agriculture. The Government also desire that the applicants may be called upon to name those who are willing to accept land for cultivation, and to state what have hitherto been their occupations, and in what manner a due share in the advantages of the undertaking will be secured to each individual.

3. The Government are not unwilling to give assistance to any scheme which has bona fide in view the offer of employment to the many Mussulmans who are understood to want occupation, but they cannot consent to pay a large sum of money to those of whom they have no information, and which they have not only no guarantee will ever be repaid, but which also they are not assured may not be misapplied.

(A true Extract.)

(Signed) H. FORBES,

Acting Secretary to Government.

Ordered that a copy of the foregoing Extract Minutes Consultation be furnished to Ameer Dowlah Bahadar and Nazeem Jung Bahadar with reference to their address to the Board, and that they be requested to furnish the

the information required by Government.

(True Extract Copy)

I. D. Sun

Jt Secretary.

To,

Ameer Dowlah Bahadar
and
Nazeem Jung Bahadar.

A. D. Sibbald.